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Port of Sukhoy Liman**CONFIDENTIAL** Attachment No. 1Identified Vessels

One Z-class submarine, [redacted] en route to Cape Ay-Todor

One patrol motor boat (vedette), near Cape Takil [redacted]

[redacted] on the sea route from Cape towards the Dardanelles

[redacted] 14 MIG-type jet planes, seven of which came from the coast 50X1-HUM  
and [redacted] seven from the sea.Identified Soviet Merchant Vessels

1. Soviet ship, 7,000 tons, carried out commercial operations. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

2. Soviet ship, 5,000 tons, engaged in commercial operations [redacted]

3. Mixed passenger and coast vessel: 5,000 tons: was unloading bales of  
cork [redacted] 50X1-HUM

4. Soviet ship; 4,000 tons, was unloading various goods [redacted]

[redacted]  
Sukhoy Liman [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
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Inspection commission composed of eight members and a representative of local  
~~INFLIT~~ cameraboard. No extensive search of vessel or personnel. Shore leave  
 not restricted. Many crew members went to Odessa. [redacted]  
 Crew allowed to take cameras on shore leaves. Crew prohibited from bringing  
 ashore parcels, especially clothing and contraband. 50X1-HUM

All along the Crimean coast [redacted] emplacements of photo-electric  
 apparatuses at great potential which at short intervals illuminated the sea  
 areas around. Along the entire strait of Kerch there is a long tunnel of  
 cylindric buoys within which the ships must sail on the way to Maryupol and back.  
 [redacted] Ten cylindrical buoys placed  
 at the entrance of the port of Sukhoy Liman among which the ships must transit  
 either for the entrance or the exit from the port [redacted]

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There are two buoys on the sea surface between Cape Takil and the Dardanelles, one of which is  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles (1750) from Cape Takil and the other is 18 miles away from the first one.

Truncated cone shape buoy with a steady white light

There is a green navigation light at the entrance of the Sukhoy Liman harbor

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There is also a red navigation light at the entrance of port Sukhoy Liman

~~There is a double railroad network.~~

~~There are 12 Russian-made cranes of 10 ton capacity on tracks~~  
Power contact on ground.

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Pier stretch now under construction.

Old type 1,000 ton wreck was working day and night dredging operations.

Stretch of sea *penetrating* into the bay for about a half mile

special tanks located on the pier. The supplying of water takes three hours.

The ship loaded 113 tons of naptha (oil) from a tanker equipped with pipes and handles. The tank was towed in from Odessa. The supply was of naptha

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Port of Zhdanov (Maryupol)

Identified Soviet Merchant vessels

1. Soviet vessel of LIBERTY-type was unloading coal
2. Soviet coal vessel of 8,000 tons was loading lignite

Port Information

Shore leave was restricted from 0800 to 0200 hours.

No search. Six member control commission plus INFLOT representative checked currency indicated by ship's superiors.

Three cylindric buoys located along the channel of the eastern pier of Maryupol

The channel is made up of wooden piles. These piles are levelly placed. The buoys on the other side are placed as indicated in drawing No. 2 with place lines. there net or floating obstructions and the vessels have to sail between the buoys and the piles.

There are black and red navigation lights at the entrance of port Maryupol

The coal pier has railroad tracks. There are four cranes

There is a small wooden shed on the coal pier for the chief stevedore Cement hull designated for fuel storage

Floating stage of 500 tons capacity which laid blocks of cement on the pier

~~There is a~~ Clock placed on a crowbat?

Water pumps on the Coal pier located at a distance of 30 meters from each other

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Attachment No. 2

Ports of Novorossiysk and Tuapse

Port of Novorossiysk

[redacted] at the site of Point Miskrak, one sees a very full harp-shaped antenna, about [redacted] 100 meters high. The antenna was static [redacted] On the hills behind there were numerous cross-like antennas (type television receivers) of large sizes. Many brick structures on the slopes of the hills coming down to the water, probably for military use. No other military structures or installation was visible in a range of less than two miles from the coast.

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Minesweepers [redacted] left the port at 0930 local time. Port drainage operations.

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-Lumber Pier built in brick about to be completed.

Coasting mole (brick) being rebuilt. Two cranes employed.

Petroleum mole has been under construction for about two months. One crane. Works anticipated to last one year.

There are 24 cranes in the port.

Small Military Harbor. Small drydock of about 1,000 tons capacity. A tugboat. Two MTBs in the harbor. One gun boat and two small transportation boats about 1,000-2,000 tons.

In the big floating dry dock in the eastern part of the harbor was a Soviet petroleum tanker ASHKAB of 10,000 tons.

Under repair were Soviet tanker KOMSOMOLETZ UKRAINY, merchant vessel KRONSTADT, two other smaller merchant ships.

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The following Soviet merchant vessels were in the outer harbor, waiting to load lumber: BOLSHEVIK, DEPUTAT PUSHKIN, and VOLGONEFT.

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There was no interference (jamming) either with radar or radio during the route Bosphorus-Novorossiysk.

Route Novorossiysk-Tuapse

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[redacted]  
[redacted] installation noted on Point Doob, near the light.

No military

On the adjacent hill and behind Point Doob (to the south toward the hinterland),

[redacted] an aerial of large dimensions rotating on the top of a masonry?

construction.

there are [redacted] brick construction in the nearby zone; power poles for electric lines [redacted]

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Ghelenjik Bay: No military installations or navy vessels were noted.

Port of Tuapse

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At 2030 local time a destroyer entered the port and left during the night.

In the small port to the right of the petroleum pier were: 4 landing boats on the dock; submarine chaser [redacted] 2 sailing boats, landing

boat MORIACHKA; Submarine chaser [redacted] moored at the pier outside the old harbor; a pontoon equipped with powerful hooks.

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In the Old Harbor

Soviet tankers TALLIN and MOLODECHNO under repair; a Soviet 10,000-ton tanker under construction. (3 cranes in operation). Floating careening dock (with two cranes) which can hold one 10,000-ton tanker. One Russian tanker for repairs. Five cranes. A section of the old harbor was demolished and not yet rebuilt.

New Harbor

Draining operations underway carried out by draining boat PIATLIETKA; two simple cranes on the southern pier of the new harbor. Petroleum pier had the facilities for simultaneous loading of four ships.

Movement of Soviet Merchant Vessels

[redacted] Tanker MOSKVA, CHARDJOU, KAZBEK (this tanker loads gasoline to be shipped [redacted] tanker ZHDANOV.

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[redacted] PAMIAT 20 COMMISAROV, half loaded is moored near to tanker KAZBEK which was moored at the petroleum pier.

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